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Children's Author Katherine Paterson Opens "Year of the Young Reader"

Katherine Paterson, award-winning author of many books for children, will speak on the topic "Celebrating the Young Reader" on November 17, in the Library's Coolidge Auditorium.

The lecture, sponsored by the Library's Children's Literature Center and Center for the Book, is free and open to the public. The program is the first event for "1989–Year of the Young Reader," a year-long campaign that provides families, schools, libraries, and other organizations with a unifying theme to support reading promotion activities. Librarian of Congress James H. Billington will also speak at this special event.

Katherine Paterson (Photo, Jill Paton Walsh)

Katherine Paterson's work has received critical acclaim. *Bridge to Terabithia* (1979) and *Jacob Have I Loved* (1981) were awarded the Newbery Medal, given annually by the American Library Association to the most distinguished book for children. *The Great Gilly Hopkins* was named a Newbery Honor Book and winner of the American Book Award (1979), and *The Master Puppeteer* was also given the American Book Award (1977).

The child of missionary parents, Katherine Paterson was born in China. She is the mother of four children, and lives with her

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husband in Vermont. *Park's Quest* (1988) is her most recent book written for children; she is also the author of *Gates of Excellence—on Reading and Writing Books for Children* (1981).

Mrs. Paterson will autograph copies of her books, brought by the audience, before the lecture, 6:30-7:30 p.m. A selection of her books will also be available for purchase at that time.

The Children's Literature Center provides reference services on children's books and other media. The center publishes an annual book list, symposium proceedings, bibliographies, and other guides to children's materials.

The Center for the Book in the Library of Congress was established in 1977 to stimulate public interest in books, reading, and the printed word.

All projects and most publications for the Children's Literature Center and for the Center for the Book are supported by contributions from individuals and corporations.

Members of the public interested in attending the 7:30 p.m. lecture should call (202) 707-5218 to reserve a seat.

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Bruce Tapper, Editor

William J. Welsh Receives IFLA Medal

William J. Welsh, former Deputy Librarian of Congress, was honored at the closing session of the 54th General Conference of the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) on September 3 by the presentation of IFLA's medal. In presenting the medal to Mr. Welsh, IFLA president Dr. Hans Peter Geh read the following citation:

"One of the founding fathers of IFLA's Programme Management Committee, and later as one of its members, William J. Welsh was instrumental in launching and developing IFLA's core programmes on UBCIM [Universal Bibliographic Control and International MARC], UAP [Universal Availability of Publications], PAC [Preservation and Conservation], and UDT [Universal Dataflow and Telecommunications]. A true diplomat and a recognized leader in the international and North American library community for many years, Mr. Welsh played a major role in improving international relations through librarianship. As chairman of the Conference of Directors of National Libraries, he worked closely with the Executive Board of IFLA to ensure that a close and harmonious working relationship was established between the two bodies. In grateful recognition thereof, IFLA's Medal is conferred upon Mr. William J. Welsh."

Recent Developments in Overseas Cataloging

There have been several changes made in the cataloging programs in the Library of Congress overseas field offices in the last year. Cataloging staff in both the New Delhi and Jakarta offices have assumed new duties and responsibilities in relation to the data supplied to the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C.

The cataloging staff of the New Delhi field office began supplying machine-readable bibliographic records for monographs via the Overseas Data Entry (ODE) system to the Washington office in 1984. Since that time New Delhi has supplied more than 30,000 such records. In addition to supplying these machine-readable records, the New Delhi office provides manual records for authorities and for items in other formats, such as serials and sound recordings.

Because New Delhi staff has met the Library of Congress quality review standards, the Library of Congress in Washington, D.C., has decided that it will no longer routinely review the descriptive portions of monographic cataloging from New Delhi. Instead, sampling of these records will be conducted to ensure continued high quality. Access points will be searched at the Library to prevent discrepancies in the database, as the New Delhi office does not have access to current copies of Library of Congress files.

Until recently, the New Delhi office has prepared only minimal-level cataloging records for monographic microforms. Now the cataloging staff is preparing full-level records for these microforms. In deciding which microform items are to receive full-level cataloging, the staff applies the cataloging priority guidelines used by the Library of Congress for book materials.

These records, for the most part, include only descriptive fields and will be handled in a similar manner to all other monographic records from New Delhi. All descriptive access points are, of course, supported by full authority work which is manually prepared in the New Delhi office. Subject Cataloging and Decimal Classification Divisions of the Library of Congress supply the

subject and classification elements when the records arrive in Washington.

The addition of full-level cataloging for microforms to the New Delhi cataloging program will improve access to the many items acquired by the New Delhi office and supplied to the nation's research libraries. It is a credit to the New Delhi office that the staff is able to absorb this additional workload.

The Jakarta office is also now providing additional cataloging support to the Library in Washington. Minimal level cataloging (MLC) records representing microforms are now being prepared by the cataloging staff of the Jakarta office. Dina Wadhwa, New Delhi, and Oemi Schmidgall-Tellings, senior descriptive cataloger, South Asian Languages Section, Descriptive Cataloging Division, provided the training in content designation and MLC guidelines, respectively.

The cataloging data is shipped to New Delhi and keyed via the Overseas Data Entry (ODE) system. A floppy disk is mailed to Washington and the records loaded into Library of Congress files. These records are now available on MARC.

The training and the dedication of the Jakarta cataloging staff has resulted in the production of high-quality work for which Jakarta has been awarded independent status. Jakarta records will be subject to the same checks and quality assurance as the New Delhi full-level records.

In a related development, the Library plans soon to abandon the SA suffix to Library of Congress card numbers. There will be a transition period in which records will appear both with and without the suffix. This will not affect the ordering of Library of Congress printed cards for materials in languages native to South and Southeast Asia. These card numbers are assigned in unique blocks which readily identify the record as representing an item from those regions.

—Judith G. Fenly

Howard Nemerov Makes First Visit as Laureate

Dr. Billington (left), Howard Nemerov, and Dr. Boorstin

Poet Laureate Consultant in Poetry at the Library of Congress Howard Nemerov made his first visit as Laureate to the Library on October 3. He entertained a near-capacity audience with a reading from his works, during the evening in the Coolidge Auditorium. Earlier in the day a press briefing was held in the Library's Poetry Office, and later a luncheon in his honor was held in the Whittall Pavilion. He is shown above with Librarian of Congress James H. Billington and Librarian of Congress Emeritus Daniel J. Boorstin. The Poet Laureate has said that he expects to be at the Library on a frequent basis and will introduce readers and lecturers at many of the upcoming events during the current poetry and literature season at the Library. All of the programs are held in the Coolidge Auditorium free of charge to the public.

Library Acquires List of Japanese Children's Books in Translation

The Library of Congress has acquired a list of translations of Japanese children's books, titled *Overseas editions of Japanese children's books* (Japanese title: *Kaigai de hon'yaku shuppansareta Nihon kodomo no hon*, c1988). This is a list of approximately 3,500 Japanese children's books translated into some 25 languages, including more than 450 titles of translations into English. It was compiled by Nihon Kokusai Jidō Tosho Hyōgikai (Japanese Board on Books for Young People, 405 Aoyama Miyano Building, 2-8-7 Shibuya, Shibuya-ku, Tokyo 150, Japan), which is a Japanese section of the International Board on Books for Young People (IBBY).

Titles are grouped into four sections: picture books, information picture books, fiction, and non-fiction. In each group, entries are listed by the author's name in alphabetical order. Provided at the end are title indexes grouped by the language of translation; an index of authors, illustrators, and photographers; and a publisher index.

Library's New CD-ROM Product Is Reviewed at the ALA Conference

Is the Library's new subject authority file on compact disc a useful product? This question was discussed in detail recently by four of the 16 organizations that participated in the beta-test program of *CDMARC Subjects* for the Cataloging Distribution Service (CDS).

Their discussion was a major feature of the CDS Annual Users' Group meeting at the American Library Association conference in New Orleans in July. At the meeting, packed with conference attendees, CDS also presented an overview of its market research and product development.

Joining CDS for the panel presentation on *CDMARC Subjects* were Barbara Moore of the Missouri State Library, Lynn Holmgren of Baker and Taylor, Charles Payne of the University of Chicago, and Gretchen Whitney of Personal Bibliographic Software, Inc. Each of these panelists had been part of the rigorous testing program, which included selected libraries and library vendors throughout the country.

In general, the panel found *CDMARC Subjects* "user friendly" and especially useful for "multiple look-ups." Barbara Moore reported that "after some initial trouble in loading, *CDMARC Subjects* proved to be extremely easy to learn and easy to use."

Mr. Payne concurred that the product was well designed and easy to manage. "The technical staff used the system without reading the documentation first and had no major trouble using the product. However, we do not feel that it is easy enough for the public," according to Mr. Payne.

Lynn Holmgren reported that her staff found *CDMARC Subjects* "user friendly, and able to handle complicated searches very easily." She also stated that "my staff preferred using the 'red book' for single look-ups, but much preferred *CDMARC Subjects* for multiple searches. They especially liked the ability to bring up all the references at once."

Finally, Gretchen Whitney reported on Personal Bibliographic Software's successful linkage of its software application "Pro-Cite" to *CDMARC Subjects*. *CDMARC Subjects* supports, among other functions, the capability of exporting fully standard USMARC communications records from a personal computer into a host system or into another PC (personal computer)-based application.

Dominick Mormino, supervisor of the CDS Marketing Unit, then reported on some proposed enhancements for *CDMARC Subjects*. "We developed *CDMARC Subjects* first with technical services applications in mind," Mr. Mormino said. "While we feel the software is very user friendly and easy to use, it may not be easy enough for the general public to just walk in off the street, sit down, and use it without any assistance. So, one of our first major development efforts will be to create a simplified user interface to the product." He went on to state, "we also would like to make the tool even more powerful for technical services. So, we will be exploring ways to incorporate into the product the *Subject Cataloging Manual: Subject Headings*, which is a major instructional manual on how to use and apply Library of Congress subject headings."

Individuals attending the presentation on *CDMARC Subjects* were welcomed by Susan M. Tarr, CDS chief. They heard the results of market research studies conducted by CDS over the past year, presented by Roberta A. Stevens, customer services officer. A description of a variety of studies on potential new products and enhancements to existing products was given. These descriptions included reports on market interest in a *Library of Congress Rule Interpretations* looseleaf service (now available), a proposed *MARC Shelflist* microfiche product, and tape distribution services of preliminary cataloging records and various international MARC databases. Also discussed were studies under way on a proposed compact disc product of copyright records and enhancements to the current *New Serial Titles* and *Music, Books on Music, Sound Recordings* publications.

"We were delighted with attendance at the meeting," Susan Tarr commented, "and with the enthusiasm and interest shown in *CDMARC Subjects*."

Library Publishes New *Science Tracer Bullet*

Science Tracer Bullet: Tribology. ISSN 0090-5232. (TB87-10). December 1987. Compiled by George D. Havas, this literature guide provides basic reference material in the collections of the Library of Congress on tribology—the study of the design, friction, lubrication, and wear of moving parts. Copies may be obtained free on request from the Science Reference Section, Science and Technology Division, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540. Copies have also been provided to the Superintendent of Documents for distribution to depository libraries.

Report from the ALA Conference In New Orleans

The following is one in a series of reports by Library of Congress staff members on sessions at the American Library Association (ALA) Conference, New Orleans, July 9-14.

Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access

The Committee on Cataloging: Description and Access (CC:DA) of

the Cataloging and Classification Section, Resources and Technical Services Division, ALA, met in two sessions. Due to the imminent reprint of the *Anglo-American Cataloguing Rules*, second edition (AACR 2), with the door temporarily closed on rule revision, the usual agenda of proposals for rule revision was not available. Nonetheless, two task forces made preliminary reports on matters that could eventually result in proposals for AACR 2.

One concerns the use of brackets in a catalog record, particularly their use in records representing serials. (The recently revised ISBD (S), the International Standard Bibliographic Description for serials, provides for little use of brackets in the numeric and/or chronological, or other designation area and in the publication, distribution, etc., area.)

The other matter concerns the choice of a main entry heading for creeds, confessions, etc., with a particular consideration of the preference for entering them under title when they are adopted by more than one church body.

These task forces will make their final reports at the ALA Midwinter Meeting in January 1989.

Also pertinent to AACR 2 was a special discussion of the fact that Malaysian cities and towns are qualified by the state, not the name of the nation, "Malaysia." The committee rejected the idea that the qualification by state (brought into use with AACR 2) should be switched to qualification by nation, but recommended that the idea be explored further by the Committee on Cataloging: Asian and African Materials.

Because of recent work by the International Federation of Library Associations and Institutions (IFLA) in the area of ISBDs (drafts for a new ISBD(CF) covering computer files, a review of the ISBD(PM), which covers printed music, etc.), the committee also discussed the relationship between ISBDs and AACR 2, concentrating on the question of whether there should be a systematic review of the rules vis-à-vis all stipulations in all the ISBDs, with possibly a comprehensive document for rule revision as a result. The committee concluded after due consideration that it would not embark on such a task.

Finally, the committee discussed the possibility of having a day-and-a-half institute on the reprint of AACR 2 that is expected before the end of this year. CC:DA endorsed the idea of having such an institute, followed by additional institutes if warranted by the results of the first one.

During the course of the discussions the following additional information on the reprint was provided: the paperback will sell for $22.50, the hardback for $29.50, and the looseleaf for $40.

The two sessions of this meeting of CC:DA were chaired by Richard Smiraglia of the School of Library Service, Columbia University, the outgoing chair. The incoming chair is Verna Urbanski of the Carpenter Library, University of North Florida.

—Ben R. Tucker

Christopher Wright Becomes Assistant Chief Of the Loan Division

Christopher Wright became assistant chief of the Loan Division on September 12.

Since 1982, Mr. Wright has held positions of increasing responsibility in the Loan Division, beginning as supervisor of the interlibrary loan unit, which under his leadership became a service with an increasingly positive national and international reputation. Mr. Wright was promoted in 1986 to head of the Loan Reference Section, the position he held at the time of his recent appointment. As section head, he supervised the Library's congressional loan activities as well as interlibrary loans. During the past two years Mr. Wright has also served as acting head of the Circulation Section and acting assistant chief.

Mr. Wright has earned two incentive awards and an outstanding performance rating. His work has also been recognized outside the Library. He has recently finished a two-year term as chair of the ALA Reference and Adult Services Division Interlibrary Loan Committee, and represented the Library on the Center for Research Libraries Inter-library Loan Advisory Council. He has been invited on numerous occasions to address interlibrary loan groups and librarians in the United States and Canada.

Mr. Wright joined the Library staff in 1975 as a reference librarian in the Congressional Reference Division. The following year, former Librarian of Congress Daniel J. Boorstin selected him as his planning assistant, the position he occupied until becoming assistant to the director for General Reference during the major Library reorganization of 1978. Mr. Wright also served as manager of the Library's research facilities for scholars in 1979–80.

Mr. Wright earned his A.B. degree in political science and history from Brown University in 1965 and his masters in library science from Catholic University in 1974. Before

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CDS Publications

Ongoing Publications

The following publications are now available from the Library of Congress, Cataloging Distribution Service, Washington, DC 20541.

New Serial Titles: A Union List of Serials Held by Libraries in the United States and Canada. ISSN 0028–6680. August 1988 (300 p.) Annual subscription for 1988 is $375.

LC Subject Headings Weekly Lists, 1988. Lists 13–16, $175 for the 1988 subscription year.

LC Subject Headings Weekly Lists, 1988. Lists 17–20, $175 for the 1988 subscription year.

LC Subject Headings Weekly Lists, 1988. Lists 21–25, $175 for the 1988 subscription year.

LC Subject Headings Weekly Lists, 1988. Lists 26–29, $175 for the 1988 subscription year.

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coming to the Library, he served as a staff writer and copy editor for *Broadcasting Magazine,* as a reporter for the *Richmond News Leader,* and in 1974–75 as assistant director of the Washington, D.C., office of the American Library Association.

Mr. Wright has temporarily assumed the responsibilities of chief of the Loan Division, while division chief Winston Tabb serves a one-year appointment as director for research in the Research Services Department.

African and M. Eastern Issues List of Staff Publications

In recognition of its tenth anniversary, the African and Middle Eastern Division of the Library of Congress has compiled a list of publications produced by division staff members during the past decade. Titled, *African and Middle Eastern Division, Library of Congress Staff Publications, 1978–1988,* the publication cites bibliographies, brochures, and other works prepared in the division, as well as studies authored by staff members and issued outside of official Library of Congress publications.

Since its inception in 1978, the African and Middle Eastern Division, with its three sections—African, Hebraic, and Near East—has offered in-depth reference assistance and produced an array of bibliographic tools used extensively by scholars and researchers from around the globe. The division covers some 70 countries and regions in important areas of the world.

The list of staff publications is available free from: Chief, African and Middle Eastern Division, Room LA 1015, Library of Congress, Washington, DC 20540.

—James De Lorbe

AMERICAN TREASURY

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This week's question, drawn from the CBS News "American Treasury" series, broadcast each weekday at 3:57 p.m. (EST) on the CBS Television Network, is:

What vice president spent only one day of his term in the United States?

The answer to last week's question is:

Englishman Roger Fenton was the first photographer to cover a war. It was the Crimean War (1854-56).

STAFF NEWS

Online Users Get Update on SCORPIO, Optical Disc

The Magazine Index file, a new SCORPIO file, was demonstrated by Ted Moore, specialist in automated information resources, Congressional Research Service (CRS), at the Online Users Group meeting on June 16. The Magazine Index file (OSER) contains bibliographic citations to journal articles in approximately 415 major publications issued since January 1983. Some of the full text of 30 of the publications from 1985 to the present is available through the Library of Congress optical disc system.

There are two types of records available in the OSER file: "issue" level records and "article" level records. "Issue" level records provide bibliographic information about an entire issue of a magazine and a list of each of the articles indexed from that magazine issue. "Article" level records provide bibliographic information about a single article. Mr. Moore demonstrated how the file can be searched on various keys including Author, Subject Terms, Subject Keywords, Title of Article, Title of Magazine, Date of Magazine, and Volume. Additional keys available are the Standard Industrial Classification code (SIC), ISSN, Congressional Committee, Federal Agency, Document Type, and Illustration. A search may also be limited to those articles that are available in full text on the optical disc system. The "print" command can be used with the OSER file to print citations. The full text can be viewed and printed only at optical disc terminals.

An update on the Optical Disc Pilot Program was presented by Ricky Erway, planning assistant, Office of Planning and Development. The program is a Library-wide experiment in the use of a digital system for scanning, storage, and subsequent retrieval of images on high-resolution display terminals. The system produces electronic facsimiles of text pages or images and delivers them to optical disc terminals in: the Computer Catalog Cen-

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Library Police Thank The Librarian for Support

Front row: officer Carl Harris (left), lieutenant Alberto DelCarmen, officer Elaine Russell, Dr. Murphy, Dr. Billington, officer Jeffry Milton. Second row: officers Marvin Reed (left), Robert Mason, Earl Stowers, Donald Fuller, Howard Moore, Randall Yates. Third row: sergeant José Santiago (left), officer Thomas Crabbe, officer Michael Hutchins, sergeant John Byrd, officer Phillip Sapp, officer Tyrone Bryant.

Members of the Library of Congress police force held a ceremony in tribute to Librarian of Congress James H. Billington and his staff on September 28 on the Neptune Plaza. The ceremony was held in appreciation of the support displayed towards the police by The Librarian and his staff in successfully implementing Public Law 100–135 (LOC police pay bill). Dr. Billington was presented with a plaque by officer Jeff Milton. Declan Murphy, special projects officer, was presented with a framed certificate of recognition by officer Elaine Russell. Dr. Murphy also accepted framed certificates for Ronald Morse, development officer, and John Rensbarger, inspector general, who were unable to attend. These certificates were presented by officers Howard Moore and Randy Yates.

STAFF NEWS

Sales Shop Now Accepts Mastercard and VISA

Ruth Ann Stewart, assistant librarian for national programs, charges a purchase with the assistance of sales shop employee Brian Robinson.

The Library's Sales Shop in the Jefferson Building is now able to accept Mastercard and VISA credit cards for purchases which total more than $10. The inauguration of this credit card service on October 1 was achieved after months of meetings with Accounting and Disbursing Office staff members, various commercial banks, and other offices throughout the Library of Congress which are also considering offering credit card service.

The Sales Shop is pleased with the new system, which will improve customer service and enhance sales.

Jefferson Sales Shop Pre-Holiday Sale

Beginning Friday, November 14, the Sales Shop in the Jefferson Building will hold its pre-holiday sale. Selected posters, notecards, publications, and gift items will be marked down as much as 50 percent from original prices. A large selection of regularly priced holiday merchandise will also be available. Library staff members will be entitled to their usual 10 percent staff discount, in addition to the marked-down prices. Shop hours: 9 a.m.–5 p.m., Monday–Saturday (closed holidays).

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ter on the fifth floor of the Adams Building, the Newspaper and Current Periodical Reading Room, the Law Library, and an office of the Congressional Research Service. After the Optical Disc Pilot Program ended on September 30, the Optical Disc Advisory Committee began working on recommendations for further Library applications of optical disc technology.

Accomplishments of the project include scanning more than 400,000 pages to digital discs, and providing nearly instantaneous random access to 45,000 images on prints and photographs videodiscs and 90,000 images on the motion picture stills videodisc. Analog images stored on digital discs were demonstrated in July 1987 to test preservation and regeneration benefits. The Motion Picture, Broadcasting and Recorded Sound Division created a compressed audio disc which consists of all pre-1910 spoken-word recordings at the Library. A proposed project to provide access to the Margaret Mead/Gregory Bateson research collection, from work in Bali and New Guinea in 1936–39, will make use of all the information garnered from the experiences with the print and non-print pilot projects. The collection includes typed manuscripts with handwritten notes, still photographs, and motion picture footage. The goals of this project are to preserve the collection, to create a model for integrated reference access and intellectual control of dispersed multi-format collections, to share an important collection with a broader audience, and to improve the Library's ability to apply new technology in innovative ways.

Plans for the next major application of the digital optical disc technology are to use it for the CRS Selective Dissemination of Information (SDI) Service. Putting on optical disc the present micrographic-based system, which is becoming difficult to maintain, will improve access and allow more Congressional Members and their staffs to benefit from this service. Library staff members are currently testing this application and planning for its implementation.

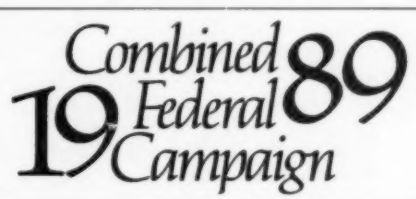
STAFF NEWS

The Librarian Praises CFC Keyworkers

Librarian of Congress James H. Billington thanked the Library's 180 Combined Federal Campaign (CFC) keyworkers with a special reception in the Madison Hall on October 27.

The Librarian honored those Library employees who have made individual appeals to their colleagues on behalf of the nearly 800 CFC charities. The Librarian also encouraged the keyworkers to continue their hard work through the last half of the campaign, which concludes on November 11.

"The keyworkers are the backbone of the CFC," said Melissa Dadant, coordinator of the Library's 1989 campaign. "They pass out the literature, handle cash and payroll deduction forms, offer advice, and answer questions."



According to Richard Anderson, information specialist in the Copyright Public Information Office and CFC coordinator for the Copyright Office, "The best part about being a keyworker is the satisfaction of getting contributions for a worthy cause. This is true even if you fall short of your goal, though of course, meeting or exceeding your goal is even more fantastic."

Mr. Anderson offered a suggestion to Library employees to make the keyworker's job easier. "Give the keyworker a fair hearing. Should you decide not to contribute, state so with as much diplomacy as the keyworker (hopefully) demonstrated in soliciting your contributions."

Robert Jordan Receives 25-Year Service Pin

Robert Jordan, reference materials assistant in the shelflist services unit of the Subject Cataloging Division, received his 25-year Federal Service Award pin from Henriette D. Avram, assistant librarian for processing services. Also present to recognize Mr. Jordan's long and valued service were Mary K.D. Pietris, chief, Subject Cataloging Division; Dennielle J. Hosang, head, Shelflisting Section; and Katherine Thomas, assistant unit supervisor, Shelflist Services Unit.

Mr. Jordan began his Library service in March 1963 with the Buildings and Grounds Division. In November 1963, he transferred to the Card Distribution Service at the Navy Yard. His duties were primarily those of an arranger/filer; however, his services were available wherever he was needed. In 1982, he was detailed for a short time to the MARC Editorial Division. Mr. Jordan has worked in his present position since 1983.

Mary K.D. Pietris (left), Katherine Thomas, Mr. Jordan, Henriette D. Avram, Dennielle J. Hosang.

Mr. Jordan is an active member of Our Lady of Perpetual Help Catholic Church and its Panorama Social Hall. Recently, he traveled with other church members to Atlanta, Ga., to witness the installation of the first black archbishop, Eugene A. Marino.

Mr. Jordan has always loved working with people and is greatly appreciated by his co-workers. He says he is now looking forward to completing 30 years of service.

STAFF NEWS

John J. Hanlon Dies

John J. Hanlon, of Lanham, Md., died on October 5 at Georgetown University Hospital. He had been a member of the Library of Congress Police Force since his retirement from the District of Columbia Police Department in 1979. He was a graduate of American University, and a member of the American Legion and the Knights of Columbus in Greenbelt, Md.

Mr. Hanlon is survived by his wife, Kathryn K. Hanlon; two children, Constance Marie Hanlon and John J. Hanlon, Jr.; and four sisters, Madeline Morse, Marion Will, Wilda Ross, and Ella Eiks.

Staff Activities

Enikő Molnár Basa, a cataloger in the Serial Record Division, attended a meeting in New York City on July 24 for leaders of the Hungarian-American community at which visiting Hungarian Prime Minister Károly Grósz was present. Dr. Basa represented the American Hungarian Educators Association. Of particular interest to the association, which represents university and college teachers and librarians, was Dr. Grósz's announcement that an English-language university staffed by Hungarian and foreign academics may be established in Hungary.

Kathy Baxter, environmental designer in the Library Environment Resources Office, coordinated and presided over the third Annual Conference of the Council of Federal Interior Designers (CFID) on June 16 in Chicago. Ms. Baxter gave the opening and closing remarks and presented two committee reports to the audience of interior designers gathered from Federal agencies around the country and Europe. Ms. Baxter is the current president of CFID, which is the only professional organization representing the Federal interior design community.

Boris Boguslavsky, a civil engineering analyst in the Federal Research Division of Research Services, is the grand prize winner for the District of Columbia in First American Bank's "Who's the First American in Your Family?" story contest. Grand prizes were awarded to contestants whose stories were chosen to be televised locally in First American Bank commercials.

Dr. Boguslavsky's winning story told of his mother, Anna Lavaska, who escaped from Russia with her sons in 1921. She brought them to the United States, where she became a vaudeville star. She later earned a college degree at age 52.

Grand prize winners were awarded an expense-paid trip to their ancestor's homeland. Dr. Boguslavsky plans to take his son and daughter-in-law with him to Russia in June.

John Y. Cole, director of the Library of Congress Center for the Book, spoke at the opening of the Minnesota Festival of the Book on September 10 in St. Paul. The previous day he spoke at a "1989—The Year of the Young Reader" rally where Minnesotans shared their plans for their participation in the Year of the Young Reader campaign.

Dr. Cole spoke at the Oklahoma Year of the Young Reader kickoff in Edmond, Okla., on September 28. Sponsored by the Oklahoma Center for the Book, the program included activity reports from education, library, and reading groups; a presentation by children's book illustrator Peter Spier; and, the announcement that governor Henry Bellmon has officially proclaimed 1989 as the Year of the Young Reader in Oklahoma.

From October 5–8, Dr. Cole represented the Library at the Frankfurt Book Fair in Frankfurt, West Germany. Dr. Cole also was the banquet speaker at the 1988 annual conference of the Colorado Library Association, held in Breckenridge, Colo., on October 10.

Deta S. Davis, senior music cataloger in the Music Section of the Special Materials Cataloging Division, is the author of a recently published book, *Computer Applications in Music: A Bibliography.* Collected over ten years, the 4,585 citations cover a wide range of disciplines and are organized by subject and listed alphabetically by author. Subjects range from music composition and analysis with computers to sound-generation hardware and software, psycho-acoustics, and pedagogy. Published in the "Computer Music and Digital Audio Series" by A–R Editions, the 537-page book includes an author/title index. Ms. Davis provided the full Cataloging in Publication data for her book. *Computer Applications in Music* (1988; ISBN 0–89579–225–7) is available from A–R Editions, Inc., 315 W. Gorham St., Madison, WI 53703, for $49.95.

Ms. Davis holds a master of library science degree from the State University of New York at Genesco and a master of arts degree in music theory from the Eastman School of Music, where she wrote her thesis on Milton Babbitt's "Partitions for Piano." She also is a graduate of Capital University, where she received her bachelor of music degree magna cum laude.

Before going to the Music Section, Ms. Davis was a senior cataloger in the Descriptive Cataloging Division's English Language Section 5.

STAFF NEWS

Forrest Hall, copyright acquisitions librarian in the Deposits and Acquisitions Division of the Copyright Office, has written his ninth book review for *Choice*, a publication of current reviews for college libraries, published by the Association of College and Research Libraries, a division of the American Library Association (ALA). The review, of *Logan's Medical and Scientific Abbreviations*, was published in the December 1987 issue.

Mr. Hall has served as a reviewer/consultant for *Choice* since 1983. He has been an acquisitions librarian since August 1986 and was previously a reference librarian in the Main Reading Room. He is a member of the ALA and former chair of the Black Caucus on Recruitment.

John E. Haynes, specialist, 20th-century political history, Manuscript Division, is the author of two essays published recently: "Applied History or Propaganda? The Influence of History on Farm Credit Legislation in Minnesota," *The Public Historian*, 10,1 (Winter 1988); and the "United States" chapter of *Yearbook on International Communist Affairs, 1988: Parties and Revolutionary Movements*, Richard F. Staar, editor; Stanford: Hoover Institution Press, 1988.

Floyd D. Hedrick, chief, Procurement and Supply Division, conducted a seminar on September 20, titled "Value Analysis in Purchasing," at the Sheraton Premiere at Tyson's Corner, Va. The seminar was sponsored by the Purchasing Management Association of Washington, D.C.

Sylvia Cooke Martin, staff training and development officer, was elected president of the Afro-American Historical and Genealogical Society. **Sandra Lawson,** reference specialist, Local History and Genealogy Reading Room, was elected treasurer. Both were installed at the annual meeting of the society held in Washington, D.C. Also at the annual meeting, **Kim Brown,** copyright information specialist, provided information on copyright procedures and answered questions from the audience.

Victor Marton, head of the Information Section of the Copyright Office, spoke to the National Association of State Nutritional Education and Training Program Coordinators on September 14 in Alexandria, Va. His topic was copyright law and Copyright Office practices.

Daniel Melnick, specialist in Federal Statistical Policy, Government Division, Congressional Research Service, is currently on assignment with the Joint Economic Committee (JEC) of Congress. As part of his assignment at the JEC, Dr. Melnick is preparing a report on the Japanese statistical system and he met with officials of the Japanese government in Tokyo in June.

He was also part of the U.S. delegation to the 12th Population Census Conference in Beijing, China, in September, during which he chaired a panel session.

Bruce Cummings Miller, a microsystems specialist of the Federal Library and Information Network (FEDLINK), the operating arm of the Federal Library and Information Center Committee (FLICC), recently explained to library network microcomputer specialists and other staff members how librarians can use FEDLINK's electronic bulletin board ALIX (Automated Library Information Exchange). Mr. Miller spoke during a two-day workshop, "Microcomputer Applications in Libraries: a Review of the Technology," held at the Library on August 16–17. The workshop was sponsored by the Regional OCLC Network Directors Advisory Committee (RONDAC) and hosted by FLICC/FEDLINK.

Mr. Miller, who is the bulletin board systems operator for ALIX, said it was established so that librarians could share solutions to problems and share software with library applications. He distributed diskette copies of 71 library-related software programs, all developed for the public domain, that have been offered online via ALIX since the system was established more than two years ago. Weekly excerpts from the LC *Information Bulletin* have been carried online on ALIX since last March.

Previously, Mr. Miller spoke at another workshop, "Library Automation: Hype vs. Humanity," sponsored jointly by six library associations in the District of Columbia. His talk focused on criteria that information professionals can use when choosing from among the increasing number of affordable software packages.

Leo A. Orleans, retired China specialist from the Research Services Department, is the author of a new book, *Chinese Students in America: Policies, Issues, and Numbers*, published by the National Academy Press. Among the issues discussed in the book are China's policies on sending students abroad, Beijing's concern about the potential loss of young professionals, China's problems with making the most productive use of the expertise that returning students bring home, and the reasons why neither Washington nor Beijing knows exactly how many students and scholars there are in the United States.

Meetings and Events Around the Library

Tuesday, November 22
☐ "Researching English Genealogy and Local History in Large Libraries," Judith Reid, reference specialist, Local History and Genealogy Division. LCPA. Room LM 139, 12:10 p.m.

Friday, November 25
☐ Concert of the Music of Charles Wuorinen, played by Benjamin Hudson, violin; Fred Sherry, violoncello; Garrick Ohlsson, piano; and Charles Wuorinen, piano. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m. Free; no tickets required.

Friday, December 2
☐ David Abel, violin; Julie Steinberg, piano; and William Wynant, percussion, play music by Antheil, Cage, Cowell, Harbison, Harrison, and Mumma. Coolidge Auditorium, 8 p.m. Free; no tickets required.

Events are open to the public unless otherwise noted.

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